IAS Officers on deputation

2647. SHRI BHAGIRATHI MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many IAS officers have not returned to their respective States after completion of their tenure of deputation, as per the rules; and

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) The IAS Officers borne on various State cadres, are appointed to various Government of India posts, on deputation, for fixed terms and, on completion of their tenure, are repatriated to their parent cadres. In certain cases, the.competeni authority approves proposals for extension in the tenure of deputation. In both these cases, the officers are required to return to their parent cadres after completing their original tenure or extended tenure as the case may be.

Recommendation of Second ARC

2648. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Second Administrative Reforms Commission recommended various measures excluding the Prime Minister from the ambit of the National Ombudsman; and

(b) if so, the response of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The recommendations are being examined.

Recommendation of ARC

2649. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Administrative Reforms Commission (ARC)

has recently made detailed recommendation particularly against the corrupt officials and errant judges;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) The Administrative Reforms Commission (ARC) in its report titled 'Ethics in Governance' has made recommendations relating to various legal, institutional and procedural measures covering the legislature, the judiciary and the executive with a focus ontackling corruption. Recommendations include defining public service values, reform of political funding, and ethical framework for ministers and judiciary, code of ethics for civil servants, amendment to the Prevention of Corruption Act and providing for a Nationpl Ombudsman.

(c) The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances has requested the concerned Ministries/Departments to furnish recommendation-wise comments along with the suggested course of action. The Government has also constituted a Group of Ministers to consider the recommendations of the ARC and the action suggested by the concerned Ministries/Departments.

Reservation for women in promotion

†2650. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that in the absence of reservation, working women are facing problems in regard to promotion in jobs;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to provide reservation for women in promotion in jobs, and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the necessary steps being taken in this regard?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.